

REMARKS

At page 3 of the Detailed Action the Examiner has allowed claims 1, 2, and 5 – 10, and has indicated that claim 16 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, to include all of the limitations of the base claim. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the allowances, and hereby so rewrites claim 16.

Applicant believes that he has addressed each of the Examiner's concerns, and respectfully requests issuance of a Notice of Allowance for claims 1, 2, 5 – 10, and 16.

Please charge any additional fee due in association with this filing, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4270.

Applicant requests that any questions concerning this matter be directed to the undersigned at (212) 895-2906.

I certify that this paper, together with any documents referred to as attached or enclosed, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Respectfully submitted,

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